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ST. *James's, December* 27. The following Addreſſes have been preſented to his Majeſty.

An humble Addreſs from the Preſident, the Members of the Council, and the Repreſentatives of the People met together in the General Aſſembly of the Iſland of Barbadoes; an humble Addreſs from the Clergy of the Iſland of Barbadoes; an humble Addreſs from the Attorney and Sollicitor General, Barriſters and Practitioners in the Laws of the Iſland of Barbadoes; and alſo an humble Addreſs from the Merchants and Traders of the ſaid Iſland; preſented to his Majeſty by James Cambell, Eſq; Agent for the Government of Barbadoes, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount Townſhend, one of his Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Addreſſes his Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

Smirna, October 30. The 14th of this Month arrived Sig. Bonaventura Minelli, who is appointed to reſide here as Conſul from the Republick of Venice: But being juſtly apprehenſive that there will ſoon be a Rupture between the Turks and the Venetians, he judged it behoved him to uſe the beſt Precautions he could, for preventing his being ſeized and impriſoned as a Miniſter of his Republick when the War ſhall actually break out: He therefore waited privately on the other Foreign Conſuls here, and deſired them not to own or treat him as a Conſul: And then he notified to the Cady, and other chief Magiſtrates of this City, on the 15th, that being come hither, not in the Quality of Conſul, but to tranſact Affairs relating to the Conſulate only as an Agent till the Senate ſhould diſpoſe of that Employment, he could not take on him a Publick Character, nor conſequently offer to make Viſits of Ceremony. The Cady and the other principal Officers in the Government of this Place made Anſwer, that it was indifferent to them in what manner he ſhould act, provided he would take Care to make them ſuch Preſents as they held themſelves intituled to by Cuſtom from the Venetian Conſulate: And to ſtop their Mouths, he has thought it ſafeſt for him to comply with that Cuſtom. The laſt Letters from Conſtantinople, which are of the 20th Inſtant confirm that great Preparations for War by Sea and Land are making there; and that it was not in the leaſt doubted the Port will attempt next Spring the Reduction of the Morea (of which the preſent Grand Vizier is a Native) tho' a Rumour is likewiſe ſpread, that the Deſign is againſt the Iſland of Sicily. The Naval Forces of Algiers, Tunis and Tripoli are expected to join the Ottoman Fleet, being obliged always to attend theſe Expeditions in time of War. Theſe Letters add, that Veſſels were continually imployed in tranſporting Janiſaries and others in the Military Service, with Stores of Ammunition, to the Iſlands of Negropont and Candia, and the Parts adjacent. The 10th of this Month, being the firſt Day of the Turkiſh Feſtival called Bairam, the Janiſaries appeared, at the Seraglio, to receive the Sultan's Bounty, which is uſually beſtowed upon them on Occaſion of that Feaſt: It being alſo the Cuſtom at that time to diſtribute among them Rice ready dreſſed, they refuſed to touch it, crying out that it was muſty and not fit to be eaten: The Grand Viſier dreading the Conſequences of the mutinous Diſpoſition he ſaw them in, ſent for the chief Officer of the Grand Signior's Kitchen called Aſſi Baſſi, and after having cauſed a hundred Blows to be given him on the Soles of his Feet, he condemned him to ſerve at the Oar in the Gallies; he likewiſe ſent for the Steward of the Kitchen, Mamet Aga, and committed him to Priſon; which Proceeding appeaſed the Janiſaries.

Vienna, Dec. 10. *N. S.* The 4th Inſtant M. Muller, Chancellor of Sweden, arrived here; and being admitted to an Audience of the Emperor, he returned Thanks in his Maſter's Name for all the Orders which his Imperial Majeſty had been pleaſed to give for that King's Reception, in caſe he had made his Journey publickly thro' the Auſtrian Dominions, and for the great Conveniency with which the Swediſh Troops are furniſhed in their Paſſage homewards. Baron Malknecht, Miniſter of the Elector of Bavaria, will ſhortly ſet out from Munich for Gratz, to fetch from thence the Princes Sons of that Elector; who 'tis believed will paſs this way, to thank the Emperor for the Care which he has cauſed to be taken of them during their Confinement